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HERE is some excellent doctrine on the subject of rotation in office, from the Starke Telegraph:

One of our "rotation in office" contemporaries plaintively observes that "no one has yet been suggested to succeed either the present state comptroller or treasurer." And why should anyone be suggested? Are the present incumbents not giving the public as good service as lies within the scope of human effort? There is such a thing, we think, as carrying the rotation theory too far, and those persons who are resting their contention for a change in state officials solely on this theory will find later on that the people do not always care to turn down a capable and efficient official simply that the office may rotate.

Those who are disposed to endorse the exciting "high pressure" system of education in our primary schools may be interested in the following description from an exchange of an experiment made in the public schools of Ithaca, N. Y.:

A class of twelve 5-year-old children was organized, and a skillful teacher was put in charge to see what might be done on the basis of one hour's instruction per day, the children to have all the rest of the time for play and home life. The experiment has been encouragingly successful, and the conclusion of the teachers and the school officials who have studied the case is that it would be better in all primary schools to divide the school into four sections or groups, each group to be present but one hour in the day, and no two groups at the same time. The confident belief is cherished that the children in question can do the full amount of study without overworking; that the room can be kept well ventilated, and that better work will be accomplished by the primary teacher herself.

Publishing the Laws.

The Kissimmee Valley Gazette, referring to the strong advocacy of THE NEWS and other state papers of the popular publication of the laws, states its opposition to the idea thus:

To begin with, we do not believe it has been done in other southern states since the reconstruction days; and if the people and papers of Georgia and Alabama and other populous and intelligent states can get along without it, and keep out of mischief, we fail to see why our people and press cannot do so too. Then the demand for it emanates solely from the papers; not that we thereby impute unworthy or selfish motives to the papers advocating the proposition; but only to emphasize the significant fact that it is a press demand and not a popular demand. It is said that the papers cannot be expected to publish the laws for nothing, as such information is not legitimate news. In the same breath it is said that the people want to read the laws in their local papers, and are, therefore, entitled to have that privilege. If this be true, then the local papers ought to have enough enterprise and accommodation to publish the laws as news. Besides a great many laws are of a special character and only of local or private interest. The general public have little or no interest in them; it would be an imposition to require them to pay for their publication. Such laws as are of striking or novel interest are now commented on at length in the press as items of news, so that the public is well informed on all important legislation without special cost. The price of the laws in book form is not prohibitive, and anyone anxious to post himself on the work of the legislature can easily procure a copy; and the bound statutes are much preferable for study to loose copies of unbound and easily destructible newspapers lacking an index and other essentials of a ready reference work. It would take several issues of a small local paper to print the current statutes, and by the time they were all secured the cost would not be much less than the price of the present bound copies.

Much as we respect the opinions of the Gazette, we cannot forbear the announcement that its arguments are fallacious, and that it does not even attempt to controvert the many excellent reasons put forth by the state press in favor of publishing the laws.

To say that Florida can "get along" without a policy so urgently advocated because other states do not practice it, is not argument. To attempt to discredit the movement because only the newspapers have advocated it, is insincere. Who else should advocate any improvement in our system or policy? To urge that the newspapers should publish the laws without compensation, is strikingly unjust. They already do all in the public interest that should be demanded of them. To object that many of the laws passed are purely local in character, or of only private interest, is begging the question. No one has advocated the publication by official authority of any but general or public laws. To plead the low price of the pamphlet laws is a fallacy, since, even at the low price, only about 2,000 copies are printed, more than supplying the demand. How shall the remaining adult male citizens—about 125,000 in number—learn the provisions of the laws which are to govern them?

FLORIDA POLITICS.

State Democratic Committee to Meet at Jacksonville March 22.

Hon. W. A. Rawls, chairman of the Democratic State Executive committee, has issued a call for a meeting of the committee at Jacksonville at 11 o'clock a. m. Thursday, March 22, 1900, for the purpose of preparing to issue a call for a state convention and to fix the time and place of holding such convention; also to transact such other business as may be brought to the attention of the committee.

The membership of the committee is as follows:

W. A. Rawls, chairman, Leon county.
John C. Cooper, secretary, Duval county.
J. A. Carlisle, Alachua county.
T. P. Chaires, (dead) LaFayette county.
Minor S. Jones, Brevard county.
J. D. Beggs, Orange county.
E. S. Crill, Putnam county.
Albert E. Willard, Citrus county.
J. E. Grady, Franklin county.
J. P. Taliaferro, Duval county.
G. L. Baltzell, Nassau county.
W. H. Reynolds, Polk county.
W. H. Milton, Jacksonville county.
Hugh C. Macfarlane, Hillsboro county.
T. E. Welles, Escambia county.
P. T. Knight, Monroe county.

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THE CITY COUNCIL.

An Interesting Business Meeting Last Night.

A regular meeting of the city council was held last night. Present Mayor Hilliard, Aldermen Green, Avery, Christie, Hall, Hays, Pfeiffer, Keyser, Bar's and Gingles.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The mayor was authorized to remit the remainder of the fine of Jas. Reagan, a country boy who had gotten in bad company in town and was serving out a fine for carrying brass knuckles.

The mayor submitted a proposition from the Pensacola Infirmary offering to provide one bed for 355 days for the use of sick city paupers for \$300 or two beds for \$500, all patients over this average number to be paid for at 85 cents a day for medical and \$2 a day for surgical cases for the first ten days; \$1 a day thereafter.

After a full discussion, all favorable, it was ordered that the matter be referred to the board of public safety, the mayor and city physician to act with them, with power to make contract for one or two beds, as may be found necessary; and it was ordered that \$250, or as much thereof as necessary, be appropriated for the board of public safety to pay for said service for the first six months.

On recommendation of the mayor a resolution was adopted inviting the state board of health to hold its next meeting, March 20, in Pensacola.

The mayor announced that the complaints of citizens relative to street car service on West Hill had been brought to the attention of the company and that a satisfactory schedule was now being run.

Chairman Green of the finance committee called attention to the fact that telephone, telephone and electric car companies had not paid their pole tax for 1899; that the terminal company had made no report of the number of their poles; that the telephone company reported 575 poles, 143 of which were used by city wires, leaving 432 poles on which they were to pay \$2 each; that they wanted to compromise for \$20.

Superintendent Sims of the Southern Bell Telephone Co., who was present stated that they asked this rebate because a tax of \$2 on each of the poles used by them would be an unjust tax and would amount to about six per cent of the gross income of the company; that to furnish a wire to one patron they had in the suburbs required 25 poles on which the tax would be \$50 and they only got \$50 for the service.

The mayor stated that the council had no authority to give a rebate on this tax; that the only way they could do so would be to amend the ordinance. He then had the clerk read the law on the subject.

On motion of Alderman Avery the matter was referred to the city comptroller with instructions that he confer with the city attorney and report at the next meeting.

Chairman Green gave notice that the unappropriated funds on hand would be used in repairing sewers and the Garden street drain.

Mayor Hilliard stated that the surveyor had made his notes on the work required and that the chairman of the board of public works was now advertising for bids.

A petition from citizens living on Chase and Garden streets, west of Baylen, asking that the water mains be extended over that territory, approved by the board of public safety with the statement that it would require fire hydrants at \$40 each a year, was referred to the finance committee.

The contract made by the board of public safety for \$1000 worth of fire hose, was approved.

The recommendation of the board of public safety that Frank Maura be allowed 7 1/2 per cent more for feeding prisoners and that \$9.50 a month be appropriated for that purpose, was referred to the finance committee.

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members John Borelli was granted permission to move a wooden building at 320 South Baylen street 9 feet north so as to allow an alleyway between that and a brick building he purposes building at the corner of Baylen and Zarragossa, to do which

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Convention Call.

The sixteenth annual meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Florida, will be held at Gainesville, April 3rd, 4th and 5th. The first session will be at 10 o'clock of Tuesday the third. Miss Belle Kearney of Miss., will give the convention address, adding interest to the session. ALICE C. BROWN, SARA J. GLENN, President. Recording Secretary.

"Paul Jones" at Eugene Arbona's. Try THE NEWS Want Color will pay you.

he will tear down the wooden buildings now there.

The comptroller's report was presented and ordered published as follows:

PENSACOLA, Fla., Feb. 31st, 1900.

To the Hon. Mayor and Council, City of Pensacola.

Gentlemen—Below please find statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of January, 1900, with a detail statement of the expenses for the month; also a comparative statement of the floating debt for January 31st, 1899, and December 31st, 1899.

Cash in treasury Dec. 31st, 1899: General fund, \$10,862.79; Police and fire fund, \$11,600.00; Interest and sinking fund, \$734.89; Suspense fund, \$42.25—\$23,240.88.

The receipts for the month of January were as follows: From licenses, \$54.38; Taxes, \$5,225.27; Fines and pound fees, \$27.50; Miscellaneous, \$9.21—\$5,316.36.

Making \$23,297.24. The disbursements were as follows: Accounts payable, \$3,336.24; Pensacola Water Co., \$4,380.00; Interest on bonded debt, \$57.50—\$7,773.74.

Balance cash in treasury, \$22,024.65. This balance was distributed as follows: General fund, \$11,890.76; Police and fire fund, \$9,668.75; Interest and sinking fund, \$625.14—\$22,024.65.

EXPENSES JANUARY, 1900.

Department of Public Safety—Salaries of Marshal, Deputies and Police, \$1,064.30; Station house expenses, \$121.00; Patrol expenses, \$14.00; Feeding prisoners, \$125.00; Stock pound expenses, \$21.75; Rent of truck and engine houses, \$2.50—\$1,327.55.

Stationery, Fire Protection: Salaries of Chief and Engines, \$40.25; Telephone alarm, repairs, and expenses, \$5.00; Rent of truck and engine houses, \$55.00; Water rent, \$75.00; Incidental expenses, \$74.42—\$1,571.22.

Salaries of physician, N. and A., \$50.00; Police expenses, \$15.00; Medicines, \$15.00; Transportation of paupers, \$3.23—\$95.73.

Total Dept. of Public Safety, \$2,924.05.

Dept. of Public Works: Streets, repairs, \$179.76; Streets, cleaning, \$39.30; Streets, lighting, \$281.00; Streets, drainage, \$31.00; Crossings and sidewalks, construction, \$8.00; Crossings and sidewalks, renewals and repairs, \$122.08; Sewers, repairs, \$8.00; Sewers, cleaning and flushing, \$30.00; Garbage, removal and disposal, \$125.00; Public buildings, repairs and expenses, \$38.50; Horses, carts and tools, \$19.00; Feed of stock, \$54.10; Stationery, \$1.50.

Total Dept. of Public Works, \$642.64.

Dept. of General Expenses: Salaries of general officers, \$375.00; Legal expenses, \$15.00; Printing, \$15.00; Incidental expenses, \$15.00.

Total Dept. of General Expenses, \$420.00.

Dept. of Health: Salaries of inspectors, \$120.00; Incidental expenses, \$5.00.

Total Dept. of Health, \$125.00.

Total expenses Jan. 1900, \$4,116.69.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FLOATING DEBT.

Items, Jan. 31, 1900, Dec. 31, 1899.

Outstanding scrip, \$1,219.00; \$1,219.00.

Interest on bonded debt, \$50.00; \$50.00.

Peninsula Water Co., \$219.94; \$219.94.

Pensacola Gas Co., \$6,588.34; \$6,588.34.

S. E. Moore, \$5.42; \$5.42.

Bills payable, \$15,742.03; \$15,742.03.

Accounts payable, \$1,132.14; \$1,132.14.

Paupers Jan. 1, \$100.00; \$100.00.

Total, \$42,120.77; \$42,120.66.

All of which is respectfully submitted with general ledger balance of January 31st, 1900.

GEORGE T. MOORE, Comptroller.

Previous notice having been given, Alderman Green introduced an ordinance to regulate the erection of poles by telephone and other companies. It was read the first time.

The board of public works presented, with their approval, an ordinance authorizing the board to grant permission to persons to build boat houses, where entirely over water and covered with metal. The rules being waived Alderman Green introduced the ordinance and it was read the first and second times.

The council then adjourned.

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To the Contractors and General Public of Pensacola:

Notice is hereby given that on and after the first day of April, 1900, no Union mechanic or laborer will work on any building with any non-union men where there is an organization of said craft under the jurisdiction of the Central Trades Council.

J. R. JOURDAN, msr.

"Upper Ten" at Eugene Arbona's.

To All Woodmen.

There will be an important meeting of Hickory Camp No. 21, W. O. W., at K. of P. Hall Friday, March 9, 1900, at 7:30 p. m., to take action on resolution introduced at last meeting. Also two candidates to initiate in the first degree.

JAMES R. LANDRUM, Consul Commander.

C. J. OERTING, Clerk.

A Life and Death Fight.

Mr. W. A. Hines of Manchester, Ia., writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me. I would not be without it even if it cost \$5.00 a bottle. Hundreds have used it on my recommendation and all say it never fails to cure Throat, Chest and Lung troubles." Regular size 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at W. A. D'Alemberte's drug store.

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PHILIP E. HANNAH.

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